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### CONSOLIDATION PLAN FAILED.

#### Montpelier Retains Two Officials in Water and Engineer Departments.

Without an exception, the Montpelier city council at the regular fortnightly session last night, placed at the head of the divers departments the persons who occupied the positions prior to the ushering in of the present council. It had been freely predicted that an effort would be made to consolidate the positions of city engineer and water commissioner, ousting John J. Glinney from the latter office and placing George Reed in charge of the combined positions. An effort was made to bring about the change last evening, economy being the basis of the argument of Aldermen Kent and Galleher, who desired to dispense with Mr. Glinney's services. After more or less discussion, no attempt, however, being made to suggest any other name than that of the present incumbent, which had been placed before the council, the vote resulted in the commissioner being retained.

Another effort to save the city a few hundred dollars by changing the method of paying the city attorney from a fee to a salary basis and fixing the salary at \$800 failed to meet with the approval of the board. Disheartened by the outcome of the first two propositions Alderman Kent protested feebly when his suggestion that listers in many towns and cities are only paid \$3 instead of \$3.50 a day failed to meet any response whatever.

The following officials were appointed for the year: Chief of police, P. J. Conolly; overseer of the poor, George F. Lackey; street commissioner, C. B. Roberts; water commissioner, J. J. Glinney; city attorney, George L. Hunt; city engineer, George Reed; inspector of paints, James P. Holt; surveyors of wood and inspectors of lumber, Bert C. Newton, Arthur A. Emery and Anson Miner; pound keeper, E. L. Putney; fence viewers, Harrison Lombard, Harry S. Tabor and James C. Finn.

Last year when the curfew ordinance went into effect the curfew police, one from each ward, were appointed by the council, but on suggestion of Mayor Boutwell it was decided to leave the selections to the chief of police and aldermanic police committee.

Everything moved smoothly during the appointment of departmental heads until the water commissioner was reached and Alderman Kent then gave the council his views in no uncertain terms, following the nomination of J. J. Glinney by Alderman Standish.

The ward 2 representative said that considerable pressure had been brought to bear upon him which was very distasteful; that he had been told if he dared voted to oust Glinney that he would fight him; another had informed him that if he voted to consolidate the offices that he had no use for him. He was extremely weary of hearing propositions thrown at him. He believed the mayor wanted economy practiced and for that reason he was in favor of the proposed consolidation. Alderman Kent expressed the belief he was making a big political mistake but he was not looking for any office, so that it made little difference.

Alderman Ryan sprang to the defense of Commissioner Glinney and said that he failed to see how the elimination of the office would save the city anything in the long run. The council would undoubtedly spend money in other ways that would eat up the amount of Glinney's salary. Alderman Ryan also mentioned the conditions at Berlin pond, the large amount of property, etc., and said that the present water commissioner has grown very familiar with conditions there.

Alderman Parker assisted his associate by remarking that he feared the city engineer would have enough work to do to keep him busy for several years and he hesitated at burdening him with anything more.

Alderman Kent took exception to a remark made by Alderman Ryan that some persons would not bear so much if they were not on the street with a pen-

cil and paper. Alderman Galleher also took exceptions to the remark and said he had been approached on the subject in his office. Alderman Galleher endorsed Alderman Kent's position. There were, however, no other nominations and no other motion made and Mr. Glinney was quickly elected to office without a year's vote being taken by wards.

The matter of paying the city attorney a salary was brought about by a letter being read from City Attorney George L. Hunt in which he suggested that \$800 be fixed if they so desired, he to charge on the fee basis, however, and if the total amount failed to come to \$800 he would take the exact amount and if it totaled more the limit would be the same. Considerable discussion followed Alderman Shurtleff being of the opinion that \$600 was enough, and said he knew of a competent lawyer who would take it for that amount if Mr. Hunt did not desire the office at the price. The others on the board, except Alderman Kent, feared to make a change in attorneys and were certain that the present incumbent would not accept \$600, so that the old fee basis of paying was retained. Mr. Hunt's bill for last year amounted to about \$970.

The only other business was the granting of several building permits, the authorization of the payment of bills incurred and instruction given the finance committee to recommend salaries for the various officials.

### PLAYS NATIVE LABOR CONDITION

#### Gompers Tells Senate Porto Rico Committee It Is One of the Darkest Pages of History.

Washington, D. C., March 23.—President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor yesterday told the Senate Porto Rican committee that the conditions of the native laborer in Porto Rico since the island came under American control was one of the darkest pages of history. He urged a bill to provide a new government for the island.

Rights of the laborers under the old Spanish laws were denied them now, Mr. Gompers asserted.

"By some process Americans who have gone there have at once become the most rabid anti-Porto Ricans," he said. "The laborers had been so much exploited, the development of corporation control was so complete there, that the workers had absolutely no avenue of expression until the American Federation of Labor has taken up their wrongs."

"After I had first gone there and reported the misery, the degradation and the poverty I found a representative of the department of commerce was there to investigate and made no effort to see any of the working people nor to learn anything except to refute my description of conditions."

### WASHINGTON.

About 40 gathered at the Universalist church Wednesday evening for a reception to Rev. Paul Weller and his family. The evening was spent in becoming acquainted; music was furnished and light refreshments of cake and coffee were served.

Remember the auction of personal effects, household goods, etc., at the town hall Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Ladies invited.

Regular meeting Friday evening of Washington grand jury. Mr. and Mrs. Will Tucker are the parents of a daughter. Mrs. Tucker will be remembered as Florence Eastman.

### Millinery Openings.

Mrs. S. E. Lavolette will have her millinery opening Saturday, March 25. Public cordially invited.

### TALK OF THE TOWN

#### Children's wash dresses at Vaughan's.

Warren Kerrigan and King Baggett at the Bijou.

Homecoming Saturday at the Congregational church.—adv.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Seaver of Williams-town were visitors in the city yesterday.

Mrs. Elmer Maxfield and son, Earl of Plainfield were visitors in the city yesterday.

John Abblati of Bolster place left this morning on a short business trip to Burlington.

J. B. Hart, a student at Norwich university in Northfield, was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

Be sure to buy one of the magic cleaning clothes at the food sale in the Episcopal vestry Saturday afternoon.

Charles H. Wislart, treasurer of the Granite Savings bank and Trust company, is in New York on business.

Mrs. C. W. Goldsberry and her two daughters, Easter and Evelyn, returned to their home in St. Albans this morning after spending a week with Mrs. G. LePage of 124 Prospect street.

Mrs. Mabel Cole and little daughter, Helen, of Maple Grove left the city Wednesday afternoon for Morrisville, where they are visiting in the house of M. R. White.

Warren Kerrigan as Terence O'Rourke in "When a Queen Loved O'Rourke," a two-reel feature, King Baggett in "Almost a Papa," also a two-reel comedy play, "The Three Jeanettes," at the Bijou.—adv.

A meeting of the Barre truckmen's union is to be held at headquarters this evening at 7:30 o'clock. The attendance of every member is desired, as the officers elected at the last regular meeting are to be installed.

A meeting of the board of the Hedding M. E. church was held last evening following the supper and meeting of the Sunday school board. Regular monthly business was transacted but no matter of unusual interest was taken up.

A district meeting of the New England Order of Protection will be held at East Barre Friday evening of this week. The grand wardens and several grand and supreme lodge officers will be present. All members of Barre lodge are invited to attend this meeting and those who can go are requested to notify Judge H. W. Scott so that arrangements for transportation can be made.

Major appointees of Mayor Gordon, who have been confirmed by the city council, have all qualified for office and new terms of service are to be entered upon April 1. James F. Curtis, whose appointment as inspector of wiring was confirmed Tuesday evening, has not qualified as yet, but it is understood that he will take the oath within a few days. Persons who were appointed to minor offices have not appeared at the clerk's office for their inauguration, but in most cases of the kind in years past, minor officeholders have usually postponed such a step indefinitely.

### GIVEN \$260 VERDICT.

#### Buck Real Estate Co. Sued John W. Bradley and Barton Savings Bank.

St. Albans, March 23.—The case of the Buck Real Estate company vs. John W. Bradley and the Barton Savings Bank & Trust company went to the jury in Franklin county court shortly after noon yesterday. The jury found for the value of the services specified, without respect to the contract as claimed by either party, and returned a general verdict for the plaintiff to recover \$260 based upon what they considered the services reasonably worth, without any expense contract.

### Dressing for Health.

Dr. Alvah H. Doty in an article on influenza printed in the Medical Record lays emphasis on the relation of clothing to health. What he says is the simplest common sense; yet thousands of people suffer more or less from a failure to recognize and act upon the truth. Speaking of the prevalent habit of wearing heavy winter clothing indoors for the larger part of the day for the sake of warmth during an hour or two of exposure to outdoor cold, Dr. Doty says:

"It is far more reasonable and certainly more comfortable and conducive to health to wear outer garments of practically the same weight and texture throughout the year, except possibly in midsummer, when clothes made of very thin material known as tropical weight are indicated."

The prime fact is emphasized that no matter how many germs are about immunity is largely a matter of general health and consequent power of resistance. Diet, ventilation, proper clothing—these are worth all the medicine in the doctor's little black bag, and the wise doctor knows it, if his patients do not.—New York Evening Sun.

### The Difficult Task.

The government official had been telling a simple old Scotch farmer what he must do in the case of a German invasion on the east coast of Scotland.

"An' hae I reely tae dae this wi' a' ma beesties if the Germans come?" asked the old fellow at the finish.

The official informed him that such was the law. "All livestock of every description must be branded and driven inland."

"Weel, I'm thinkin' I'll hae an awfu' job oot ma beesties."—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

### BARRE DAILY TIMES

THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 1916.

### The Weather

Fair and colder to-night. Friday fair and warmer in Vermont; frost to strong northwest winds, becoming variable Friday.

### TALK OF THE TOWN

New waists at Vaughan's.

See the new wash goods at Vaughan's. Sadlier's Keith avenue—Baby carriages, go-carts and strollers. See our up-to-date tray wagons.—adv.

A regular meeting of Granite lodge, I. O. O. F., M. U., will be held in the K. of C. hall Friday evening at 7 o'clock.

Order your baked beans, brown bread, spaghetti, cake, pies and doughnuts for Saturday from the Episcopal ladies. Call 156-12.

Miss L. E. Townsend has returned from New York and will open her millinery parlors for business, 33 Washington street, Monday, March 27.—adv.

Plans are in the making for the annual get-together of the Barre Golf club, which is to be held in the near future. Next week, the Montpelier Country club entertains the members of the Barre team who won the tournament matches last summer.

Mrs. O. T. Robinson of 357 North Main street was pleasantly surprised on Tuesday evening when about 15 friends and relatives gathered at her home. The evening was spent in a social manner; dainty refreshments were served; many useful presents were given and the party broke up at an early hour, wishing the hostess many happy birthdays.

Call at Miss Roben's Chiropractic Parlors with your sore feet. She guarantees to cure any condition aside from requirements of the surgeon's knife. Gladly give you names of patients who will testify as to results in their individual cases. Mrs. Ella Moorcroft came to me a cripple. Ask her. Phone 207-4. Mrs. M. Garsen came to me physically ill from her feet and is cured.—adv.

Barre alumni of Tufts college were in Burlington last evening to attend the annual gathering of the Tufts College Club of Vermont. Among those present were ex-Mayor Harvey Hersey of this city, a member of the class of 1854, and said to be the oldest living graduate of the Medford institution. Prin. O. K. Hollister of Goddard seminary was one of the speakers at the banquet and others who attended were Dr. F. M. Lynde and Harvey E. Averill.

Mrs. Lydia B. Willey, who has been passing several weeks in the city as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hutchinson of Charles street, left yesterday for her home in Orleans. She was accompanied by Miss Ruth Waterman of upper Washington street, who is taking a vacation from her duties in the office of Dr. D. C. Jarvis, and who will pass a few days with her sister, Mrs. Harry Bassett, in Orleans. Miss Waterman was joined at Wells River by Miss Elizabeth Carson of Laurel street, who is to visit in Orleans, after passing a week with her sister, Mrs. Francis Vignault, in Littleton, N. H.

The April number of Everybody's magazine, which was placed on sale at the bookstands this morning, contains a full-page advertisement of Barre granite. Together with the full-page advertisement appearing in this week's issue of the Saturday Evening Post, the advertising matter in Everybody's is a part of the big advertising campaign recently launched by the Barre Granite Manufacturers & Quarries' association. From time to time additional space is to be used in The Post and in Everybody's and in other popular magazines. The issue of "Memorial Masterpieces," a highly illustrated brochure to be distributed by the association in connection with its policy of magazine advertising has been delayed, but a notice received at the publicity headquarters this morning stated that the matter is all in the hands of the printer and that 10,000 copies will be available within 10 days.

Fifty-four traveling men were registered at Hotel Barre last night, every room in the house having been assigned. Among the visitors in town yesterday and to-day were the following people: D. I. McLeod of Montreal, J. E. Clark of Ogdensburg, N. Y.; R. J. Pond of St. Johnsbury; H. C. Rosier of Bennington; Walter Lebaron of Waterbury; Charles A. Murphy of Burlington; C. C. Hambleton of White River Junction; J. Belfont of Concord; Walter Henry of Burlington; R. M. Boardman of Burlington; A. R. Smith of Bellows Falls; G. L. Valentine of Burlington; L. R. Lewis of Barton; H. P. Kingman of Bethel; A. M. Bucklin of Canaan; N. H. O. B. Navin and Miss R. Navin of Portsmouth, N. H.; Arthur B. Brown of Boston; T. C. Page of Burlington; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lescard of Woodsville, N. H.; H. M. Gates of Derby; Miss Edith Kelly of Fitchburg, Mass.; and Mark Bates of Wells River.

Special communication of Granite lodge, No. 35, F. and A. M., Friday evening at 7 o'clock; work, E. A. degree. W. M. White, W. M.

A regular meeting of Loy-al Green Mountain lodge will be held in their hall Thursday evening, March 23, at 7 o'clock. Let all members of the degree staff please be present. Per order N. G.

Regular meeting of Barre lodge, No. 1573, F. O. E., Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Initiation.

Special convocate St. Albans commandery, No. 11, K. T., Thursday evening, March 23, at 7 o'clock. Work, red cross. Per order E. C.

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Announcement is hereby made that the partnership heretofore existing under the name of Taylor Brothers, of Washington, Vt., was dissolved on March 14, 1916. Elmer E. Taylor, residing from the date of dissolution, will be continued by George G. and Edward S. Taylor, two of the members of the former partnership.

TAYLOR BROTHERS, Washington, Vt., March 22, 1916.

### TALK OF THE TOWN

Lots of new things at Vaughan's. Tonight at the Pavilion the Walsh Musical company in the comedy full of music, "The Cabaret."—adv.

Clothing for men, women and children at the rummage sale. Congregational church, Saturday, March 25, at 2 p. m.—adv.

Freeman Walker, a student at Middlebury college, in the city last evening for a visit at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Walker of Edgewood.

William G. B. Nyndeise, a prominent Schenectady, N. Y., architect came to Barre yesterday to inspect the new City hospital, with a view to obtaining ideas for the erection and equipment of a hospital which he is planning for a community about the size of Barre. Mr. Nyndeise was taken through the Barre institution this forenoon, leaving for his home near noon.

Ralph E. Bennett, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Bennett, who has been a patient in the Barre City hospital for the past nine weeks, has so far recovered as to be able to return to Northfield, where he was residing when he suffered a fracture of a lower limb late in January. Mr. Bennett is able to walk with the support of crutches and after a few weeks' sojourn in Northfield, he plans to go to South Norwalk, Conn., to reside.

Announcement was made this forenoon of the sale of the grocery stock and fixtures in the Granite City General store on Granite street, the purchaser being Dan A. Perry, who is moving the goods and fixtures to the vacant store in the Currier building on North Main street.

The sale was consummated by George L. Morris, who received his appointment as trustee of the defunct company two weeks ago. It is reported that the sale price was in the vicinity of \$1200. Mr. Perry made the purchase for the purpose of disposing of the stock and fixtures at private sale, which is to begin Saturday, March 25.

John N. Lanborn, a Mormon missionary from Salt Lake City, Utah, has purchased the bakery formerly operated in connection with the Granite City General store. Additions are to be made to the equipment, although the place has been opened for business already under the management of James Tassie of West street, who was connected with the enterprise as long as it was controlled by the Granite City company. It is proposed to conduct the bakery along the lines followed in the past, although an effort will be made to extend the sphere of business. John T. Callaghan is employed as a representative of the bakery.

### MONTPELIER.

In probate court to-day, Mrs. Adah C. Thayer of Warren was appointed executrix of the last will of William P. Thayer, late of Warren. Maria M. Hudson of Middlesex was appointed executrix of the will of William Hudson, late of Middlesex. Flora E. Vanour of Barre City was appointed guardian of Ruth A. Wood, a minor. The will of S. Harris Holman, late of Roxbury, was presented for probate. Dean S. Holt of Calais settled his account as administrator, with the will annexed, of the estate of Laura Davis, late of Calais.

Mrs. Ethel DeBorja Field left this forenoon for Albany, N. Y., where she will make an indefinite visit.

### GRANITEVILLE.

There will be five reels of moving pictures in Gilbert's hall this evening. Program: Hobart Henley and Jane Novak in the "Tenement House Evil," second episode of graft series; "A White Father Volunteer," a two-act feature, and one comedy. Coming to-morrow, the celebrated actor, Wilton Lackaye, with Harry Meyers and Rose Mary Theby in "The Man of Shame," Broadway feature, in five parts.

## CLOSING OUT SALE

WARNER'S RUST-PROOF CORSETS—All sizes, 24 to 35. . . . . \$1.00, 30c; \$1.50, \$1.20; \$2.00, \$1.60  
CARTER'S UNDERWEAR—Medium weight Vests and Pants . . . . . 50c value, 40c; 60c value, 48c  
VELVET RIBBONS—Black and colors, at Wholesale Prices  
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20c value . . . . . 16c  
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### VERDUN DRIVE BIG DISASTER.

#### Allied Officials Confident Germans Have Met Great Reverse.

Paris, March 23.—The third and probably the last phase of the Verdun battle has ended, according to dispatches received here yesterday.

The German successes in Avocourt wood were of minor importance, French military men declare, constituting only an admission of German failure elsewhere. It is not believed the Germans will renew their heavy assaults on the northern front of Verdun—at least not soon.

Thus a great German drive, precipitated early in the year by the phenomenal spring-like weather, has ended in what

the French believe is the biggest German disaster since the defeat at the Marne.

Nearly 200,000 specially trained young German trench stormers have been either killed or put out of commission by wounds in the four weeks of the Verdun offensive. These troops cannot be quickly replaced. It is easier, therefore, to talk about using the interlude to mass fresh forces than it is to carry out the plan.

Allied officers arriving here for the military and political conference are all smiles. They are confident that the allies now hold the whip hand.

"If Germany has been fought to a standstill at Verdun while the other fronts were weather-locked, what will happen when every ally is free to take the offensive?" asked one military leader.

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A few splendid Tan Pumps, were \$2.50, for . . . . . 1.89

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Richardson's Spool Silk, per spool . . . . . 9c

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